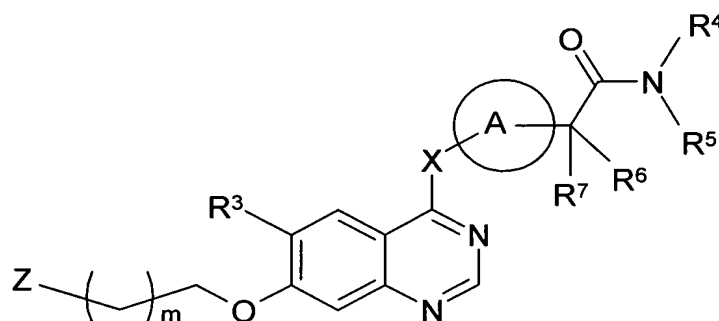


## In the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

## Listings of claims

1. (currently amended) A compound of formula (I):



formula (I)

wherein **A** is 5-membered heteroaryl containing a nitrogen atom and optionally containing one or two further nitrogen atoms;

**X** is O, S, S(O), S(O)<sub>2</sub> or NR<sup>14</sup>;

**m** is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

**Z** is a group selected from –NR<sup>1</sup>R<sup>2</sup>, phosphonooxy, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl which C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl is substituted by phosphonooxy or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy, and a 4- to 7-membered ring linked via a carbon atom containing a nitrogen atom and optionally containing a further nitrogen atom, which ring may be saturated, partially saturated or unsaturated wherein the ring is substituted on carbon or nitrogen by phosphonooxy or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy, and wherein the ring is optionally further substituted on carbon or nitrogen by 1, 2 or 3 halo or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl groups;

**R<sup>1</sup>** is a group selected from –COR<sup>8</sup>, –CONR<sup>8</sup>R<sup>9</sup> and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl which C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl is substituted by phosphonooxy and optionally further substituted by 1 or 2 halo or methoxy groups;

**R<sup>2</sup>** is a group selected from hydrogen, –COR<sup>10</sup>, –CONR<sup>10</sup>R<sup>11</sup> and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl which C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl is optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 halo or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy groups or –S(O)<sub>p</sub>R<sup>11</sup> (where p is 0, 1 or 2) or phosphonooxy, or **R<sup>2</sup>** is a group selected from C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl and C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkylC<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl;

or **R<sup>1</sup>** and **R<sup>2</sup>** together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form a 4- to 7- membered ring optionally containing a further nitrogen atom which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or partially saturated wherein the ring is substituted on carbon or nitrogen by a group selected from phosphonooxy and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl which C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl is substituted by phosphonooxy or –NR<sup>8</sup>R<sup>9</sup>, and where the ring is optionally further substituted on carbon or nitrogen by 1, 2 or 3 halo or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl groups;

$R^3$  is a group selected from hydrogen, halo, cyano, nitro,  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $-OR^{12}$ ,  $-CHR^{12}R^{13}$ ,  $-OC(O)R^{12}$ ,  $-C(O)R^{12}$ ,  $-NR^{12}C(O)R^{13}$ ,  $-C(O)NR^{12}R^{13}$ ,  $-NR^{12}SO_2R^{13}$  and  $-NR^{12}R^{13}$ ;

$R^4$  is hydrogen or a group selected from  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryl $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, aryl and aryl $C_{1-4}$ alkyl which group is optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 ~~substituents~~ substituents selected from halo, methyl, ethyl, cyclopropyl and ethynyl;

$R^5$  is selected from hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-4}$ alkynyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

$R^6$  and  $R^7$  are independently selected from hydrogen, halo,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl, hydroxy and  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy;

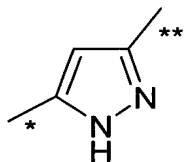
$R^8$  is  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy and optionally further substituted by 1 or 2 halo or methoxy groups;

$R^9$  is selected from hydrogen and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

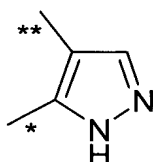
$R^{10}$  is selected from hydrogen and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl (optionally substituted by halo,  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy,  $S(O)_q$  (where q is 0, 1 or 2) or phosphonooxy);

$R^{11}$ ,  $R^{12}$ ,  $R^{13}$  and  $R^{14}$  are independently selected from hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl and heterocyclyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

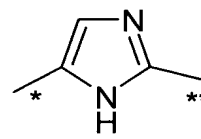
2. (original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein A is a group of formula (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e):



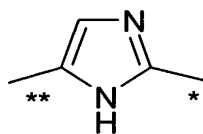
(a)



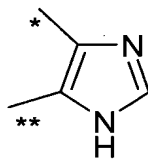
(b)



(c)



(d)



(e)

where \* is the point of attachment to the X group of formula (I) and \*\* is the point of attachment to the  $(CR^6R^7)$  group of formula (I); or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. (original) A compound according to claim 2 wherein A is a group of formula (a) as defined in claim 2; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
4. (currently amended) A compound[[s]] according to ~~any one of claims 1, 2 or 3~~ claim 1 wherein X is NH; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
5. (currently amended) A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein Z is  $-NR^1R^2$  or a 5- to 6-membered saturated ring linked via a carbon atom containing a nitrogen atom and optionally containing a further nitrogen atom, wherein the ring is substituted on carbon or nitrogen by phosphonooxy or  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
6. (currently amended) A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein  $R^1$  is  $C_{1-5}$ alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy and  $R^2$  is a group selected from hydrogen and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl which  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl is optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 halo or  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy groups, or  $R^2$  is a group selected from  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl $C_{1-4}$ alkyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
7. (currently amended) A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein  $R^1$  is 2-phosphonooxyethyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
8. (currently amended) A compound according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1 where Z is  $-NR^1R^2$  and  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form a piperidine, pyrrolidine or piperazine ring which is substituted by a group selected from phosphonooxy, phosphonooxymethyl, 2-phosphonooxyethyl, *N*-ethyl-*N*-(2-phosphonooxyethyl)aminomethyl and *N*-(2-phosphonooxyethyl)aminomethyl and where the ring is optionally further substituted by 1 or 2 methyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
9. (original) A compound according to claim 8 wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form 2-(phosphonooxymethyl)pyrrolidinyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
10. (currently amended) A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein  $R^4$  is 3-fluorophenyl, 3,5-difluorophenyl or 2,3-difluorophenyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

11. (currently amended) A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy, halo or hydrogen; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

12. (original) A compound selected from:

{1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]piperidin-4-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](ethyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 {(2*S*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 {(2*R*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 {(2*S*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](propyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](isobutyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](isobutyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](propyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](isobutyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-{{(2,2-dimethylpropyl)[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]piperidin-3-yl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 {(2*R*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](prop-2-yn-1-yl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;  
 2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](isopropyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](prop-2-yn-1-yl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](2-methoxyethyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-((cyclobutylmethyl)[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-allyl[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-(cyclobutyl[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-(cyclopentyl[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-(cyclopropyl[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-((cyclopropylmethyl)[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-(cyclobutyl[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-6-methoxyquinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-4-[(4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)methyl]piperidin-1-yl}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](ethyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](isopropyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

3-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}-3-methylbutyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-((2*S*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

{{(2*R*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](propyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](butyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-{cyclopentyl[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

{(2*S*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;

{(2*S*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-{cyclopentyl[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](ethyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}-2-methylpropyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](propyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

{(2*R*)-1-[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;

3-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](ethyl)amino]propyl dihydrogen phosphate

2-[[3-({4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl](2-methoxyethyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate

2-[[4-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)butyl](propyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[4-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)butyl](ethyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

{(2*R*)-1-[4-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)butyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate;

2-[[4-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)butyl](methyl)amino]ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

{(2*S*)-1-[4-({4-[(5-{2-[(2,3-difluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]-quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)butyl]pyrrolidin-2-yl}methyl dihydrogen phosphate; and

2-{ethyl[3-({6-fluoro-4-[(5-{2-[(3-fluorophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-1*H*-pyrazol-3-yl)amino]quinazolin-7-yl}oxy)propyl]amino}ethyl dihydrogen phosphate;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

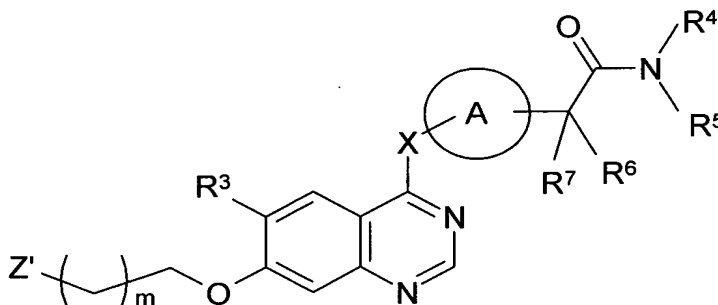
13. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier.

14.-17. (cancelled)

18. (currently amended) A method of treating a human suffering from a disease in which the inhibition of one or more Aurora kinases is beneficial, comprising the steps of administering to a person in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound ~~as defined in~~ according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

19. (currently amended) A method of treating a human suffering from colorectal, breast, lung, prostate, pancreatic or bladder and renal cancer or leukemias or lymphomas, comprising the steps of administering to a person in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound ~~as defined in~~ according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

20. (currently amended) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula (I) as ~~defined in~~ according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, which process comprises converting a compound of formula (II) into a compound of formula (I) by phosphorylation of an appropriate hydroxy group:



formula (II)

where A, X, m, R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷ and R⁹ are as defined for formula (I); and Z' is a group selected from -NR¹R², hydroxy, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl which C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl is substituted by hydroxy or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl substituted by hydroxy, and a 4- to 7-membered ring linked via a carbon atom containing a nitrogen atom and optionally containing a further nitrogen atom, which ring may be saturated, unsaturated or partially saturated wherein the ring is substituted on carbon or nitrogen by hydroxy or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl substituted by hydroxy and wherein the ring is optionally further substituted on carbon or nitrogen by 1, 2 or 3 halo or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl groups; R¹ is a group selected from -COR⁸, -CONR⁸R⁹ and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl which C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl is substituted by hydroxy and

optionally further substituted by 1 or 2 halo or methoxy groups;  $R^{2'}$  is a group selected from hydrogen,  $-COR^{10}$ ,  $-CONR^{10}R^{11}$  and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl which  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl is optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 halo or  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy groups or  $-S(O)_pR^{11}$  (where p is 0, 1 or 2) or hydroxy, or  $R^2$  is a group selected from  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl $C_{1-4}$ alkyl; or  $R^{1'}$  and  $R^{2'}$  together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form a 4- to 7- membered ring optionally containing a further nitrogen atom which may be saturated, unsaturated or partially saturated wherein the ring is substituted on carbon or nitrogen by a group selected from hydroxy and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl which  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl is substituted by hydroxy or  $-NR^8R^9$  and where the ring is optionally further substituted on carbon or nitrogen by 1, 2 or 3 halo or  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl groups; and where  $R^8$  is  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl substituted by hydroxy and optionally further substituted by 1 or 2 halo or methoxy groups:

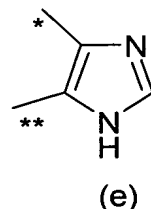
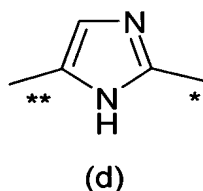
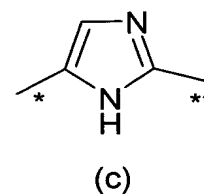
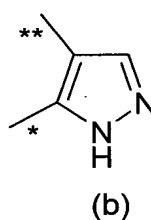
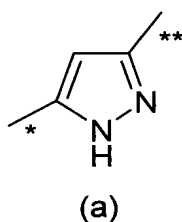
and thereafter if necessary:

- i) converting a compound of formula (I) into another compound of formula (I); and/or
- ii) removing any protecting groups; and/or
- iii) forming a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

21. (new) The method according to claim 18 wherein Aurora kinase is Aurora-A kinase or Aurora-B kinase.

22. (new) A compound according to claim 1, wherein:

A is a group of formula (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e):



where \* is the point of attachment to the X group of formula (I) and \*\* is the point of attachment to the  $(CR^6R^7)$  group of formula (I);



X is NH;

m is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

Z is  $-NR^1R^2$  or a 5- to 6-membered saturated ring linked via a carbon atom containing a nitrogen atom and optionally containing a further nitrogen atom, which ring is substituted on carbon or nitrogen by phosphonooxy or  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy;

$R^1$  is  $C_{1-5}$ alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy;

$R^2$  is selected from hydrogen and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl which  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl is optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 halo or  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy groups or  $R^2$  is selected from  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

or  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form a saturated 5- to 6-membered ring optionally containing a further nitrogen atom wherein the ring is substituted on carbon or nitrogen by a group selected from phosphonooxy and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl which  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl is substituted by phosphonooxy or  $-NR^8R^9$ , and where the ring is optionally further substituted on carbon or nitrogen by 1 or 2  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl groups;

$R^3$  is  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy, halo or hydrogen;

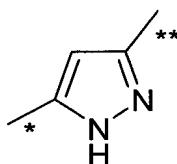
$R^4$  is phenyl optionally substituted by 1 or 2 of fluoro or chloro;

$R^5$  is hydrogen or methyl; and

$R^6$  and  $R^7$  are independently hydrogen, fluoro, chloro or methyl;  
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

23. (new) A compound according to claim 1, wherein:

A is a group of formula (a):



(a)

where \* is the point of attachment to the X group of formula (I) and \*\* is the point of attachment to the  $(CR^6R^7)$  group of formula (I);

X is NH;

m is 1, 2 or 3;

Z is  $-NR^1R^2$ ;

$R^1$  is  $C_{1-5}$ alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy;

$R^2$  is selected from hydrogen and  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl which  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl is optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 halo or  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy groups, or  $R^2$  is selected from  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup> is C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy, halo or hydrogen;

R<sup>4</sup> is phenyl optionally substituted by 1 or 2 of fluoro or chloro;

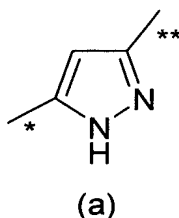
R<sup>5</sup> is hydrogen; and

R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are each hydrogen;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

24. (new) A compound according to claim 1 wherein:

A is a group of formula (a):



where \* is the point of attachment to the X group of formula (I) and \*\* is the point of attachment to the (CR<sup>6</sup>R<sup>7</sup>) group of formula (I);

X is NH;

m is 1, 2 or 3;

Z is -NR<sup>1</sup>R<sup>2</sup>;

R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl substituted by phosphonooxy;

R<sup>2</sup> is selected from hydrogen and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl which C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl is optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 halo or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy groups, or R<sup>2</sup> is selected from C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl and C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkylC<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen;

R<sup>4</sup> is phenyl optionally substituted by 1 or 2 of fluoro or chloro;

R<sup>5</sup> is hydrogen; and

R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are each hydrogen;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

25. (new) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 12 in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier.